REQUEST 09/965,830 Application Number **FOR** 3999 Confirmation Number **CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** October 1, 2001 Filing Date TRANSMITALEEIVED Akira MIYAKE First Named Inventor MAIL STOP RCE FEB 2 6 2004 1647 Group Art Unit Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 **OFFICE OF PETITIONS** J. Seharaseyon **Examiner Name** Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, Matter Number O66067 provides for continued examination of an utility or NOVEL POTASSIUM CHANNEL PROTEIN plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995 Title This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. □ Previously submitted i. Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. 🗆 iii. 🗆 b. Enclosed Amendment/Reply i. 🗆 ii. 🗆 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. 🗹 Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) with Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(d) iv.□ Petition for Extension of Time Other Petition to Withdraw Application from Issuance Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(a) and (c)(2) v. 🗹 2. MISCELLANEOUS Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ Months b. □ Other 3. FEES A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached. **CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS** Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: WASHINGTON OFFICE 23373 CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY Registration No. 51,793 Mark L. Hayman Name Date February 26, 2004 Signature

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of the listed document is submitted herewith along with a copy of the first page of the foreign Office Communication dated February 4, 2004.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with a Petition to Withdraw Application from Issuance in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(a) and (c)(2) and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed thirty days or fewer from

the communication from a foreign patent office and a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.704(d) is

attached.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)

for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Communication

from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents, together with

an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the

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The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such

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The undersigned hereby states, upon information and belief:

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